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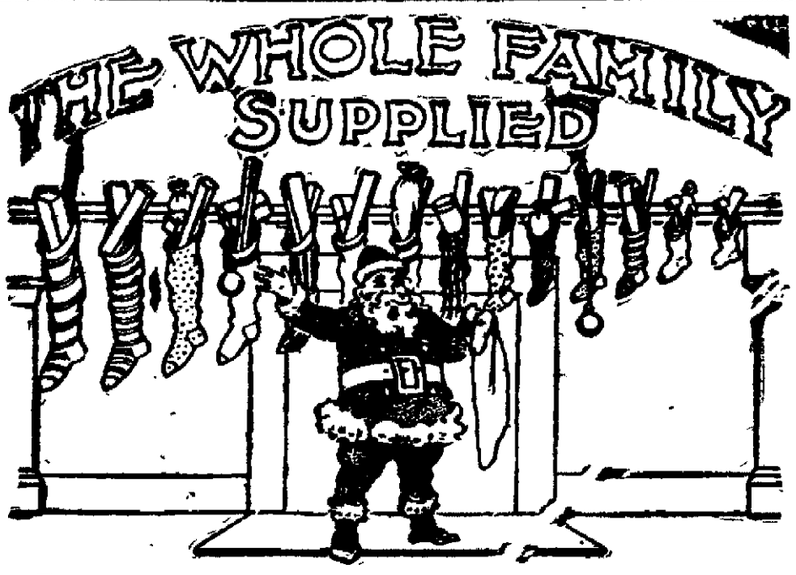

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Men's Black Vici Opera Slippers	$1	Boys' Black Velvet Slippers,	60c
Boys' Tan Pearl Everett,	60c	Youths' Velvet Everett,	50c
Ladies' Red Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.25		
Ladies' Black Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.25		
Misses' Red Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.00		
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GEN. GARCIA IS DEAD

Cuban Leader Passes Away In Washington.

END OF A REMARKABLE CAREER.

Fought In Three Revolutions Against Spanish Tyranny—Twice Imprisoned in Spain—A Man of Distinguished Family.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—General Calixto Garcia, the distinguished Cuban warrior and leader and the head of the commission elected by the Cuban assembly to visit this country, died here yesterday morning shortly after 10 o'clock at the Hotel Raleigh, where the commission has its headquarters. The sudden change from the warm climate of Cuba with the hardships he had there endured to the wintry weather of New York and Washington is responsible for the pneumonia which resulted in his demise. He contracted a slight cold in New York, which did not assume an alarming stage until the early part of last week. On Tuesday night General Garcia, in company with the other members of the commission, attended a dinner given in his honor by General Miles, and it was a result of the exposure that night which culminated in his death. During the 12 hours or more preceding dissolution General Garcia was unconscious most of the time. At intervals he recognized one or more of those about him.

In his dying moments, as all through his busy and active life, his thoughts were for his beloved country and its people, and among his last words were irrational mutterings in which he gave orders to his son, who is on his staff, for the battle which he supposed was to occur tomorrow and in which he understood there were only 400 Spaniards to combat. Just before he died he embraced his son. Rev. Father Magee of St. Patrick's church was called in during the day and was with General Garcia until the end, administering the last rites of the Catholic church. Other members of the commission and Mr. Rubens, their counsel in this country, were also in the bed chamber when the end came.

The remains were immediately prepared for burial and were placed on a bier in the room in which he died. A large Cuban flag served as a covering, and the head rested on one of smaller dimensions. The face and bust were left exposed to public view. The features had a remarkably lifelike appearance and gave no indication of the sufferings which the deceased had borne. Just above the head rested a magnificent floral piece of red and white roses and cross palms tied with a pure white ribbon.

By direction of Major General Miles a detachment of soldiers from battery E, Sixth artillery, at the barracks here, under command of Lieutenant Cox, was detailed as a body guard for the remains.

After General Garcia's death steps were taken to notify the government officials here, and also the executive committee of the Cuban assembly, which has its headquarters at Marianao, Cuba. Secretary Jose Villalon of the commission sent a telegram of notification to Mendez Capote, the president of the Cuban assembly, who is now in Havana.

As soon as the death became known a number of visitors, including many public men, came to the hotel to express their condolences. President McKinley manifested his sympathy by sending a suitably worded letter, and Vice President Hobart sent his card. Among those who called were Senators Foraker, Money, Proctor and Chandler and Major Generals Lawton and Wheeler.

General Garcia left a large family, only one of whom, Justo, a captain on his staff, was with him when he died. His widow and Mercedes, a daughter, 17 years of age, are at Thomasville, Ga., where the girl is quite ill. Mario, a son, 19 years of age, is with the mother at Thomasville, and Colonel Carloas Garcia, another son, is in Cuba. A daughter, Leonora, who married an American, is now living in Paris. General Garcia's mother is still alive and resides in Havana.

General Garcia, whose name will be ever linked with those of other patriots who have fought against unequal odds for the freedom of his country, has had a most active and varied life, much of which has been spent in fighting for the cause of Cuban liberty, which he had the satisfaction of seeing accomplished so short a time before his death. He was a man of culture and refinement, of splendid education and came from a distinguished family of Jaiquani, in Santiago de Cuba province. He was born in Cogquin Oct. 14, 1839, and was therefore in his sixtieth year.

General Garcia was educated in Havana and in Spain. In 1864 he was married to Isabel Velez. General Garcia was the original conspirator in the uprising of the Cubans against Spain in 1868, and in that war under Gomez he attained the rank of a brigadier general.

In October of 1868 he captured the towns of Jaiquani and Baire and recruited many hundreds of patriots. He had command of the eastern department during the revolution after 1873 and won many notable victories, including those at Melones and Aures. While the revolution was in a critical state in the other provinces and its outcome was uncertain he maintained it with vigor in the territories under his command. In 1875, while reconnoitering with his escort, he was surrounded by 2,000 Spaniards.

Preferring death to capture and subsequent execution at the hands of his enemy, he attempted suicide by placing his revolver under his chin and firing. The bullet came out between his eyebrows. For months he lay between life and death, but was saved finally by Spanish surgeons, who possibly had owed their own lives to his mercy. The Spaniards, believing him about to die, gave him a pardon. The hole which the bullet made when it entered the chin and came out between the eyebrows was always visible and shows plainly in the calmness of death.

For his participation in the revolutionary movement General Garcia was sent to Spain, where for four years he was confined in castles and fortresses, remaining there until the peace of Zan Jon. He then returned to the United States and together with Jose Marti attempted another revolution. He landed in Cuba with a few followers, but the country was tired of war and wanted to try the home rule offered by Spain. He capitulated to the Spanish forces in order to save his few remaining followers and was again banished to Spain in 1880, where he remained under surveillance until 1895, when the last revolution broke out in Cuba. Then he escaped to France and later to New York.

His movements since that time and his active participation in the war are familiar to many newspaper readers. After coming to this country he endeavored to get an expedition to the island of Cuba in the steamer Hawkins, but this met with shipwreck in a storm, and the cargo was lost. General Garcia was the last man to leave the vessel. Undaunted by his failure, General Garcia made another attempt to ship stores for the insurgents, this time obtaining the ship Bermuda. He was intercepted, however, by United States authorities and was arrested on the charge of filibustering, but was released on $3,000 bail. He forfeited this bail and in a final attempt landed on the eastern coast of the island with one of the largest expeditions that ever reached Cuba.

After landing he succeeded General Antonio Maceo in command of the troops of the eastern department, holding the rank of major general, General Maceo marching west with his men.

At Maceo's death Garcia was elected lieutenant general of the Cuban army, which position he held to the close of the war. During this command he assaulted and took by siege Tunas, Guisa and Gualmaro and cleared the interior of his department of Spanish troops.

After declaration of war between the United States and Spain, General Miles, commanding the American army, sent his representative to General Garcia and subsequently the American and Cuban generals co-operated in their movements against Santiago.

All the officers who participated in the active work around Santiago bear testimony to the great aid, assistance and loyalty manifested by General Garcia during the campaign. When the Cuban assembly met at the close of the war, General Garcia was one of the principal advisers and was elected chairman of the commission directed to come to the United States and confer with the authorities here with reference to the work in hand.

The funeral arrangements have not been made.

ILOILO ATTACKED.

Conflicting Stories as to the Result of the Fight.

MANILA, Dec. 12.—According to reliable advices received from Iloilo, capital of the island of Panay, in the Visayas group, the insurgents attacked Iloilo on the night of Dec. 1 and captured all the Spanish trenches except one. They then notified General Rios to remove the women and children and threatened to renew the attack the following night.

When these advices left Iloilo General Rios was expecting re-enforcements and field guns, and the plan was for the Spanish gunboats to shell the town if the insurgents effected an entrance. The foreign residents were greatly alarmed, and all merchantmen had been ordered outside the harbor in order to allow the gunboats to operate. Meanwhile the Spanish authorities have been advised that the Tulisanos troops are looting in disobedience to orders and cannot be restrained.

On the other hand, the Spanish transport Isla de Luzon reports that the insurgents around Iloilo were repulsed with great slaughter on Dec. 6 while attempting to storm the last intrenchment. According to this story, 500 insurgents were killed or wounded by the machine guns.

FATAL FIRE IN BROOKLYN.

Four and Perhaps More Burned to Death.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Four persons were killed in a fire in Brooklyn last night. The fire occurred in a five story apartment house at 134 Prospect place and was first discovered at 9:30 o'clock. So far it is not known whether others perished or not

The dead are: Thomas Wynne, 20 years old, of 620 Carlton avenue; Joseph W. Noblett, fifth floor; Mrs. Noblett and Mrs. Stothorn, Mrs. Noblett's mother. All the bodies except that of Wynne were burned to a crisp.

Wynne had rushed into the house in an attempt to rescue the women and fell into an airshaft, breaking his neck.

The house, which belonged to Leon Abbett, a son of ex-Governor Abbett of New Jersey, was entirely destroyed, but the financial loss is not large.

Black to Be Gruber's Partner.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Abraham Gruber announced last night that Governor Black would come to this city on the expiration of his term, on Jan. 1, and enter into a law partnership with himself and Judge W. M. K. Olcott of the city court. The firm will be known as Black, Olcott & Gruber and will have offices in the American Surety building. Governor Black will bring his family to New York and become a resident of the city, but it is said he will not take an active part in politics here.

Return of Dreyfus Reported.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—Le Soir announces the return of Dreyfus at an early date. It asserts that the government has formally decided upon this course and has ordered a body of soldiers to be in readiness to escort him from the port of landing to Paris.

CHICAGO'S TROUBLES

Big Mass Meeting Held Yesterday Afternoon.

THE ANTIFRANCHISE RESOLUTIONS.

Suspected Aldermen Called Criminals and Anarchists—More Threats of Lynching—Harrison and Altgeld Speak.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Central Music hall was yesterday afternoon filled with citizens of Chicago who had gathered in mass convention in order to protest against the extension of the franchises of Chicago's street car lines to 50 years. Early in the meeting the speakers dwelt mainly upon the question of compensation for extension of street car grants, but before its close the proposition of municipal ownership was extensively touched on and received generous applause.

Franklin H. Hoad presided, and the speakers were Mayor Harrison, former Governor John P. Altgeld, George B. Cole, John Maynard Harlan and Rev. Father Thomas P. Hodnett.

Ex-Governor Altgeld was first to advert to the subject of municipal ownership, and his remarks aroused the greatest enthusiasm of the meeting. Referring to the alleged use of money in the city council, Mr. Altgeld said:

"How can we stop this thing?"

"Hang them!" "Get a rope!" "Hang the boodlers!" responded the audience.

The resolutions, which were prepared in advance, were found inadequate to the sentiment of the meeting, and a resolution was included favoring municipal ownership of the street car lines, if not this year, then when the present grants expire in 1903.

The suspected aldermen were referred to in the resolutions as "criminals and anarchists."

The resolutions adopted are as follows:

Resolved, by the citizens of Chicago in mass meeting assembled, that we will not tolerate compromise with boodling and corruption, and that, accepting the challenge thrown down by those who would despoil our children's children, we here solemnly state that we shall not permit our representatives to make law any ordinance to run for a period longer than 20 years, and that no renewal should be considered under any terms of compensation or rental until the Allen law is repealed.

Resolved, That inasmuch as the beginning and end of all present corruption in the city council are the traction companies, the directors and stockholders in these companies should not be permitted to escape the odium now directed against venal public servants, but that they be exposed to condemnation as criminals and anarchists, in that they are organizing corruption and plotting against the peace and prosperity of Chicago and inviting consequences as disastrous to this community as any outrages ever devised by the sworn enemies of society.

Resolved, That the citizenship of Chicago stands at the back of our mayor in his brave fight for the people's rights, that our thanks are due to him and that our gratitude will not fail him.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this mass meeting that the time for municipal ownership, if not right now, may be by the time the present franchises shall expire.

ARMY OF OCCUPATION.

North Carolina Troops Land on the Island of Cuba.

HAVANA, Dec. 12.—The transport Roumania, with the First North Carolina volunteers, arrived in the harbor yesterday and drew alongside San Jose wharf.

The Minnewaska, with the Two Hundred and Second New York, drew out into the stream. The First Carolina, belonging to the Seventh corps, is destined for Marianao, but the regiment was unable to land either at Playa or Chorrea on account of the heavy weather.

Work was continued all day yesterday transferring the baggage of the Two Hundred and Second New York from the wharf to the railways. This is now nearly completed, and the troops will proceed to their destination this afternoon. They have now been three days in Havana harbor, but the weather has been favorable, and they may escape fever contamination

The ashes of Columbus will be transferred this afternoon from the cathedral to the Conde de Vonadito, and the ship will sail for Cadiz, convoyed by two gunboats. General Greene has cabled advices from Washington that postal clerks, with supplies, are on the way to establish a military postoffice and that Mr. McCullagh, former chief of police of New York city, will arrive here tonight to assist in constructing the police system. An army officer will be the commandant of police, but in other respects the force will probably be civilian and recruited from the Cubans.

Picquart to Be Released?

PARIS, Dec. 12.—La Liberte says that the temporary release of Colonel Picquart has already been ordered.

There was feverish excitement here last night, and extraordinary police precautions were taken to guard against an outbreak. The Mont Parnasse and St. Lazare railroad stations were surrounded by troops with the view to preventing a demonstration by the League of Patriots, a meeting of which has been convened by Paul Deroulede for today to further protest against Dreyfus and Picquart. The excitement lasted until midnight

Killed by a Train.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Dec. 12.—William T. Anthony, a machinist, was struck and killed by a Delaware and Hudson train in this city yesterday. This is the third grade crossing fatality in this city within three days.

THE TREATY.

Commissioners Decide Not to Divulge Text at Present.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—The United States peace commissioners rested yesterday after the long strain of daily conferences and almost daily sessions with the Spaniards, the intensity of which they hardly realized until it was over. Warm personal friendships and mutual regard have arisen between the two commissions as the result of their extended controversy at close quarters. Yesterday several members of both commissions exchanged calls. The American commissioners unofficially informed the Spaniards that they would be glad to have the two commissions dine together. The reply, which, like the invitation, was conveyed diplomatically through a third party, was that the Spaniards would be most pleased, but feared it would be inadvisable, because it might be misconstrued at Madrid, where already much feeling existed against the Spanish commissioners.

Several members of the United States commission were inclined at first to publish the text of the treaty, but Senator Frye made a strong plea yesterday for the observance of courtesy toward the United States senate, and his arguments prevailed. Further details, however, have been learned as to the wording of the treaty, which provides that Cuba is to be relinquished and that Porto Rico and the Philippines are to be ceded. The Americans are to pay for the repatriation of the Spanish troops from all the colonies. The Spaniards are to return all prisoners held by them. They are to retain possession of all military stores and munitions of war in the Philippines and of such ships as have not been captured.

The commercial treaties between the two nations which the war ruptured are to be renewed at the convenience of the two nations. The protocol makes nearly 600 typewritten pages.

The United States commissioners have been almost overwhelmed with offers of dinners in England, prompted by the desire of prominent Englishmen to emphasize the Anglo-American entente, but they will remain in Paris until the day before sailing for the United States. They will make formal calls upon President Faure and high officials here to thank them for official hospitality. Unofficial hospitality to the United States commissioners has been ostentatiously lacking in Paris.

Sagasta's Projects.

MADRID, Dec. 12.—The cabinet, it is said, will meet the cortes intact. Senor Sagasta will ask an indemnity bill for the cession of the Philippines. The cabinet will then declare that, as it finds itself as a crisis, it cannot admit any debate and will therefore demand the immediate adoption of the bill, after which Senor Sagasta will submit the question of confidence to the queen regent. El Heraldo says the government believes that in the present circumstances the holders of the Philippine debt will accept the arrangement arrived at and considers that the Cuban bond holders should demand of the future government of Cuba a fulfillment of the contract by claiming a mortgage on the customs, which guarantee the debt.

Spain Approves Rios' Protest.

MADRID, Dec. 12.—The government entirely approves the memorandum of protest against the action of the United States commissioners filed by Senor Montero Rios at Paris.

El Liberal says: "The Paris negotiations offer a far sadder spectacle than the ships which are bringing back our repatriated soldiers, deplorable as the condition of the latter is."

English Papers on Peace Terms.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The editorials in the London morning papers express satisfaction at the signing of the peace treaty, the negotiations for which, The Daily News remarks, have occupied rather longer than the war.

The Times, pretty accurately representing the views of the other papers, says: "Spain has lost her colonies because her colonial system was founded upon spoliation and tyranny. The United States has not treated her any more harshly than Germany treated France in 1871 or Russia treated Turkey in 1878. Therefore the Spanish memorandum of protest is unreasonable and unjustified."

The article then refers to the difficulties facing the United States and expresses confidence that the "healthy vigor and practical capacity of the Anglo-Saxon" will be fully competent to deal with them.

Battleship Massachusetts Damaged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The battleship Massachusetts, less than an hour out of her berth in the Brooklyn navy yard and barely started on a trip to Hampton Roads, struck the bottom or some obstacle off Governors island Saturday and is now back at the navy yard with her bottom stove in and three compartments filled with water. Naval Constructor Hill made an examination from the inside. He refused to discuss it. It is known, however, that three compartments were flooded. Some of the sailors said that it was feared at first that the vessel would sink. As soon as possible the Massachusetts will be drydocked and repaired. The cruiser Newark now occupies drydock No 3, the only one large enough to receive a battleship.

General Lee Sails For Cuba.

SAVANNAH, Dec 12.—General Lee and staff sailed for Cuba yesterday afternoon on the transport Panama. Crowds of people lined the wharfs as the transport passed down the river. As the tugboats cut loose the siren taken from the Spanish cruiser Almirante Oquendo after the battle of Santiago and now on the tug Cambria screeched the Panama a parting salute. General Lee will remain outside of Havana until Jan. 1, when he will enter the city.

The transport Comal left this morning for Havana and Cuban ports with 1,250,000 rations for starving Cubans. The ship carried hard bread, canned corned beef, canned tomatoes, rice and other staple articles.

Mr. Straus Sees the Sultan.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec 12.—Mr. Oscar Straus United States minister to Turkey had an audience with the sultan on Friday. It was exceedingly cordial, and it is understood that assurances were given the American minister regarding a satisfactory settlement of all pending questions between the United States and Turkey, including the payment of indemnity for American losses in Armenia.

WOOD AT SANTIAGO.

Affairs of His Province Now In Good Shape.

ANOTHER SPANISH GUNBOAT OURS.

Discovered at Bottom of Mayari Harbor—Outrages Committed by Departing Spaniards—Praise For Hood's Immunes.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, Dec. 12.—General Leonard Wood, military governor of the department of Santiago, has returned from his tour of inspection along the north coast very well satisfied with the results of the trip. He considers that Colonel Hood of the Second immune regiment, who is in command of Holguin, has done excellent work in the district.

It appears that when the Spaniards left they filled the cisterns with manure, rendering it extremely difficult to get water. They killed all the animals they could, leaving the dead bodies in the streets, and burned all the furniture they were unable to remove. In fact, they devastated the town.

General Wood approves, too, all the appointments made by Colonel Hood, who apparently has followed General Wood's suggestions as to methods of selection. He found smallpox still very prevalent, but under control and gradually being reduced by Dr. Woodson and his assistants. The health of the troops is excellent, there not being one case of serious sickness.

General Wood also found Gibara in good condition, with the smallpox on the decline. All the lighthouses along the north coast of the province are now in use, owing to the wreck of a Spanish brig loaded with cocoanut oil, which proved opportune in this case.

No little interest attaches to the appointment of a mayor at Mayari. General Wood found three candidates about equally supported, and all with civil lists estimating an average annual expenditure of about $1,000,000. When he had discovered that the revenue was something under $400,000, General Wood asked if there were not some reputable citizen with patriotism enough to give his services for nothing. A merchant promptly responded, and the appointment is acceptable to everybody except the three other candidates. The minor offices were filled at a considerable reduction in salaries, bringing down the expenses of Mayari, which is up the Mayari river a few miles from Nipe bay, to a point where they will not exceed its revenues.

While in that locality General Wood was informed of the whereabouts of a sunken Spanish gunboat, 95 feet long and of 70 tons register, nearly new. Lieutenant Lucien Young inspected the vessel and found that it could be raised at an expense of about $70,000. General Wood therefore will have the gunboat raised immediately, as small vessels of that size are badly needed.

At Baracoa General Wood found the health of the United States troops excellent and the Cubans generally satisfied. Similar conditions prevailed at Sagua de Tanamo.

Owing to the difficulty in communicating between Gibara and Holguin, General Wood intends to establish a mounted postal service twice a week from the distribution point at the end of the railway to San Luis. This decision was reached during his northern trip.

So far as the Second immune regiment is concerned, General Wood thinks the men equal to any volunteers he has yet seen. Their discipline, he says, is perfect and reflects the highest credit upon Colonel Hood.

McLane Murder Trial Ended.

MALONE, N. Y., Dec. 12.—The trial of Gardner McLane for murder has been in progress here the entire week. McLane was indicted for murder in the second degree for shooting his wife at Saranac Lake last September. The defense is that the shooting was accidental. The case was given to the jury Saturday night at 6 o'clock. At 9 the jury came in and wanted an interpretation of the difference in degrees of manslaughter and also asked if they were expected to give the same weight to the antemortem statement of Mrs. McLane as they would to witnesses sworn in court. They again retired, and at midnight brought in a verdict of manslaughter in the second degree. Judge Beman is expected to sentence McLane today.

Murdered Two Husbands.

PERRY, O. T., Dec. 12.—Mrs Lulu Johnston, 60 years old, has been indicted by the grand jury, charged with the murder of her last two husbands, Shirley and J. W. Johnston. She has had six or seven husbands altogether and has been a widow as many times. The body of Johnston was taken up recently, and arsenic was found in the stomach and liver by Professor Edward Bartow, chemist from the University of Kansas. Her next previous husband, Shirley, with whom she lived near Caldwell, Kan., died four years ago. Professor Bartow has now found Shirley's liver well preserved by the arsenic in it.

Alleged Connecticut Incendiary.

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Dec. 12.—Peter Smik, a Pole, about 35 years old, was arrested in Kensington and brought to this city on suspicion of being an incendiary. It is alleged that he is the leader of a gang of incendiaries who have been operating in the Blue Hills district, between Kensington and Meriden. There have been 11 fires inside of two years. In each case the owner of the property was a Pole and there was a heavy insurance.

Germany and Samoa.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Berlin correspondent of The Standard says: "It is rumored here that the great powers concerned have agreed to a German occupation of the Samoan islands, beginning with Upolu." The island of Upolu is about 60 square miles in area and has a population of about 16,000 people. Most of these are Christians. The island affords a plentiful supply of fruits and vegetables.

One More Portland Victim Found.

CHATHAM, Mass., Dec. 12.—The surfmen of the Chatham life saving station recovered early last evening the body of another victim of the Portland disaster. The remains are those of a man, but it will be some time before identification can be made, as the body is in considerable decomposed.

JOINT HIGH COMMISSION.

To Adjourn Dec. 20—Free Lumber Out of the Question.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—It has been agreed by the joint high commission of Americans and Canadians which has been in session here for several weeks to adjourn at an early date. This has not yet been formally announced, but it is understood that the day fixed for adjournment is Dec. 20. On the evening of Dec. 19 the Canadians will give a banquet, to which the Americans will be invited. The understanding is that the session will not be resumed till after March 4 next, when the American commissioners, who are members of the house and senate, will have leisure to devote to the negotiations. Whether the sessions will be resumed at Quebec, where they were begun, or in this city has not been stated.

The decision to adjourn has grown out of the developments of the past week. While there are several protocols in the proposed treaty, notably the Bering sea and north Atlantic fisheries, reciprocity and questions affecting the great lakes, reciprocity is the one great subject in which the Canadians are interested. Last week the high commissioners came nearer than they have ever been before to the discussion of that subject. The Canadians had submitted proposals and on Wednesday the Americans submitted counter proposals.

These counter proposals showed that the Americans were disposed to be very unyielding and that much smaller concessions would really be made than had been expected. The negotiations of last week also convinced the Canadians that free lumber, a consummation they and all their people have devoutly wished for, was impossible. The American commissioners not only told the Canadians so, but the latter were invited to the capitol and while there met several members of the house and senate, who impressed the fact still more firmly upon them. It is said that the Americans have agreed to a small reduction of the duty on live animals and have intimated that they may agree to a small reduction in the duty on lumber, now $2 per thousand. The Canadians had hoped for much larger concessions. This condition of things and the apparent impossibility of reaching an agreement before Christmas are said to have led to the decision for an adjournment. The senate may be called in session after March 4 to transact business, when there would be ample time to present any treaty that may have been framed with Canada. At present the outlook for an agreement is not bright.

WARK REPRIEVED.

Condemned Lieutenant Gets Another Chance For Life.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Lieutenant Wark of the Royal artillery, who on Thursday last was sentenced to death on the charge of murdering Miss Jane Yates of Liverpool, a girl of good family, by conspiring with her to procure an illegal operation, which resulted in her death, has been reprieved.

The evidence in the case tended to show that the girl was solely responsible. She made a statement before she died exonerating Wark, who, after the jury had returned a verdict of guilty, protested his innocence in open court. Wark, who is an Irishman, is 46 years of age and married. He enlisted as a private about 30 years ago and rendered distinguished service in the Afghan war. He met Miss Yates while he was stationed at Liverpool. She was a pupil in a riding school there. The witnesses for the defense showed that Wark tried to persuade her not to undergo the operation, but on her insisting he promised to stand by her. The scene in which he protested his innocence was highly dramatic and was followed by an extraordinary demonstration against the trial judge when the latter left the courtroom. The newspapers took the matter up, declaring that, even if the verdict was legal, it would be an outrage to carry out the sentence, as Wark was evidently entirely innocent of deliberate participation in the girl's crime.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

William Black, the English novelist, is dead.

It is announced in New York that Judge O'Brien will not resign.

Miller won the six day bicycle race in New York, breaking the six day record.

It is said in Savannah that Colonel William J. Bryan is about to resign from the army.

The cruiser Raleigh has returned to Manila after a voyage of investigation to southern Luzon.

The alumni of Princeton university have presented a bell and a library to the gunboat Princeton.

Joseph Leiter has acquired complete control for foreign countries of the Hoadley-Knight compressed air patents.

New York Electrical Trust.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—After two months of mystery the secret as to who is back of the big $25,000,000 electrical corporation, the New York Gas and Electric Light, Heat and Power company, has been revealed. The syndicate is headed by William C. Whitney and several other strong capitalists, among whom are said to be Roswell P. Flower and Anthony N. Brady. It is surmised in financial circles that Messrs. Crimmins, Widener, Elkins and other members of the street railway magnates are among the number and that the so called Electrical trust was a powerful adjunct of the Metropolitan Street Railway company. So far as the Metropolitan is concerned, however, it is said that there is nothing in the story.

The Smallpox at Bedford, Pa.

HUNTINGDON, Pa., Dec. 12.—Dr. Benjamin Lee, secretary of the state board of health, arrived here last night on his return from Bedford, where he passed the day investigating the nature of the epidemic now prevailing there. Dr. Lee said that the disease is smallpox and that in the town alone there are at least 20 cases. General vaccination has been ordered and the infected houses are closely quarantined. It is probable that the public schools of the place will be closed. Dr. Lee did not pursue his investigations into the country surrounding Bedford, Pa., where it is said there are other cases of the disease.

Spaniards Killed by a Cave In.

BARCELONA, Spain, Dec. 12.—A large quantity of brick work in a sewer in course of construction here collapsed yesterday afternoon, burying many of the workmen. Fourteen bodies have been recovered.

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Magnetic Toys, Mega Lanterns, Doll Houses, Stables, Rocking Horses, Trucks, Milk Wagons, Fire Engines, Hook and Ladder, Hose Carts, Patrol Wagons, Noah's Arks, Trains, Doll's Tables, Child's Blackboards, Desks, Ten Pins, Pianos, Tool Chests, Irons, Horns, Games, Blocks, Puzzles, Tops, Banks, Tea Sets, Bureaus, Bedsteads, Stoves, Trumpets, Rattles, Extension Tables.

It is customary in toy stores and bookstores to sell toys and books at big profits; not so here. All go at small dry goods profits. It is not the profit on one single article, but the small commission on the great bulk of sales that count up in this big establishment.

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There will be a good opportunity for obtaining Christmas gifts here this week. What could be more acceptable than a stylish dress pattern? Ask any woman and you will find out. This sale of fine Dress Patterns has been inaugurated especially for the benefit of Christmas shoppers in quest of sensible goods. The assortment contains magnificent values in both black and colored materials, including novelties and plain fabrics, in many handsome designs and colorings. They come neatly folded into a package, with silk to match for trimmings, in lengths sufficient for a full dress, and each has been marked at a great reduction from the regular price. Your choice from $2 25 to $3 50.

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Millinery Reductions

This is a clean sweep in the Millinery Department. Instead of waiting till after the holidays, we begin the cutting of prices now.

Ladies' Flannelette Night Gowns

made of good heavy flannelette, a 50c value. This week, at Tompkins', 39c each.

Men's Fine Flannelette Night Shirts,

a 69c value. At Tompkins' 50c each.

Blankets.

The great sale of Blankets, which we commenced last week, is to be continued this week. Very many pairs have already found purchasers, but there is still left from our large purchase a large assortment in white and grey, as follows:

A regular 50c Blanket, 35c per pair.
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California Blankets, perfect gems, strictly all wool, would be cheap at $6.50. Now marked at Tompkins' $3.98 per pair.

The Cloak Department is Worthy a Visit.

Even though we did not hold out special inducements, it is full of suggestions for a dainty gown, and as for waists, suits jackets and furs, the place is filled to overflowing with the best at the lowest prices. In addition to which there are to be found very special sales here this week, which are amply able to preach their own moral.

Women's High Class Tailor-Made Jackets.

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WITH FACES TOWARD HOME

LETTER FROM LIEUT. NICKINSON WRITTEN ON THE AUSTRALIA.

Joy of the First Regimental Man When Word Came That They Had Been Ordered Home—Death of Private Walter Saddemed Co. I—Body Ought to Reach Middletown Dec. 25—The Sick and Convalescents Who Were Left Behind—Are Being Well Cared for—Honolulu's Hearty Send Off—Thanksgiving Dinner a Great Treat.

ON BOARD S. S. AUSTRALIA,
PACIFIC OCEAN,
Monday, Dec. 5, 1898.

EDITOR ARGUS:—We are nearing the end of the first stage of our 5,000 mile journey, and unless something very unusual happens to prevent we will reach San Francisco by 6 or 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. What disposition will then be made of us we are as yet unable to ascertain, but it will doubtless be known to you long before you receive this letter.

The joyful news that we were to be returned to the United States was received on the 23d, just after I had mailed my last letter. Words are inadequate to express the delight of the men at receiving the orders, or to describe the hilarious scenes which followed. The men were fairly beside themselves and hugged each other like school boys. Bonfires were lighted in the camp that night and the cheering and singing was kept up until long after "taps," much to the disgust of the officers and "non-coms" of the guard, whose duty it is to see that proper decorum is observed after that hour.

There was much speculation as to which of the companies of the regiment would be selected to go in the first detachment, and you may well imagine the exuberant spirits of the men of Company I when it was definitely announced in orders that they were to go with the first expedition.

The joy was tempered with deep sorrow, however, when on Saturday, November 26, word was received at camp that Alfred C. Weller, one of the brightest boys and best soldiers of our company, had died at the post hospital, a victim of typhoid fever. He had been ill but a short time, and while it had been reported that he was very low, the expectations were that he would pull through as many others had done whose condition had been equally alarming. He suffered several severe hemorrhages, however, and the strain proved too much for him in his weakened condition and he died as above stated. Captain McIntyre immediately made provisions for the embalming of the remains and their encasement in a metallic casket for shipment to his home in Middletown. The undertakers could not prepare the remains properly for shipment on this steamer but will have everything in readiness for the next steamer which leaves Honolulu on Dec. 6. The body, therefore, should arrive at Middletown on or about Dec. 20.

Alfred Weller was one of the most cheerful men in the company, always ready to do his duty without a murmur. He never grumbled or found fault with the condition of affairs and by his happy disposition had endeared himself to every man in the company. He was apparently one of the most healthy boys in the command and he fought the fever for several days before his comrades knew he was ill. He never complained and it was only when he dropped from sheer exhaustion that his condition became known. He was immediately sent to the hospital and was given every care and attention that the friendly hands of nurse Curtis Constable could bestow. His death cast a gloom over the whole company.

Company I had another cause for regret when it was learned that Col. Barber and the surgeons had decided not to send any of the sick or convalescent soldiers with the first detachment. There were a number of our boys who were convalesing and several of them had recovered sufficiently to enable them to take a journey down town, but the hospital ship Scandia was daily expected on her return trip from Manila and it was thought best to hold all sick and convalescent soldiers for the better accommodations which that vessel would afford for men in their condition.

Of the men whom we were compelled to leave behind, Privates Jones and Constable remained as nurses. They have both been of the greatest assistance to the men at the hospital and through their kindly ministrations have nursed many a poor fellow through a long seige of fever to convalescence where less careful attention might have brought about an entirely different result.

The men who are sick in the hospital are Corporals Gould, Steedman and Wilkinson and Privates Borst, Case, Bertis Coukling, Coopernail, Loane, McCrea, Meany and Babcock. Of these Steedman, Bert Coukling, Coopernail and Babcock are at Hilo, having been taken ill while on the excursion to that island. They are reported as receiving every attention and it is said the hospital there is far superior to that at Honolulu. The citizens there have opened their hearts and purses for the twenty men who were left there out of the several hundred who made the trip. They have the reputation at that hospital of never having lost a fever patient, and the physicians are very sanguine that every man left in their charge will recover quickly. Borst, Wilkinson, McCrea and Loane are the worst cases we left behind, but the doctors spoke very encouragingly of all of them, and even thought that they might be able to be moved by the time the balance of the regiment is ready to leave Honolulu. The convalescents who will return on the Scandia are Cox, Godfrey, Will Beakes, Sellers, Roberson, Miller, Shepard and Schultz. They are all able to sit up and most of them have been out walking or driving.

The fact that these men are left behind, while it is to be regretted that circumstances rendered it necessary, should cause their friends no uneasiness. They are being cared for as well as possible and most of them are being nursed by Jones and Constable, so that they do not feel as though they were left entirely among strangers. Besides, there are nearly 200 others of the regiment in the hospital with them, who are placed in exactly the same position.

The men have stood the voyage very well indeed, only two men being on the sick list, Fredericks and Chambers. The former had a slight fever and was ill for several days before going on the boat. The doctors say that he has considerable fever, but will not say positively that it is typhoid. He has a stateroom with several other patients and will be taken to Presidio Hospital upon our arrival to-morrow. Chambers has rheumatism and is confined to his bunk. He will be able to travel with us if we are to go from San Francisco right away.

Several men have suffered considerably from sea sickness, but are much better as we are nearing our journey's end. The Australia is a much larger and more comfortable craft than the Charles Nelson, but she is a high roller. She pitches, tosses and rolls on an almost calm sea, and all day, to-day, while the weather has been rough, and the wind blowing half a gale, she is in the air half the time. It will be a great relief to all when we land. The food is excellent and plentiful.

The citizens of Honolulu gave us a great send off, last Tuesday. Several thousand people were down at the wharf to wish us "Aloha" and "Aloha Nui." Garlands of flowers, termed "Leis," were given to the departing soldiers in great profusion, and scarcely a man was seen who did not have several of the beautiful wreaths strung about his neck or hat band. The custom is a beautiful one, and costs the people of Honolulu thousands of dollars annually.

The Hawaiian Band played a number of selections during the afternoon, concluding with the "Star Spangled Banner" and the "Hawaiian National Hymn" as the vessel swung into the harbor. The sight of the many colored gowns and flowers, which adorned the people on the wharf, was one long to be remembered.

The march from the camp at Waimelae to the wharf was a hard one, for the distance was fully seven miles. The first part of the journey, after leaving camp, was made through the heavy sand along the beach, a distance of over two miles, but from that point the walking was good, but the sun was very hot. The men stood the fatigue bravely and not a man dropped out for fear he might be left behind. Col. Barber very considerately issued orders that all the packs and blanket ba s should be taken to the steamer by wagon so that the men only had their rifles and haversacks to carry. The start was made at 9:30, and at 11 o'clock we reached the old race track camp ground, where a rest of an hour was taken to enable the men to eat their lunch. Headed by the band the march through the long Waikiki road was in the nature of a triumphal procession, so happy were the men at the prospect of returning to what they term "God's Country."

The Thanksgiving Day dinner given by the ladies of Honolulu at the camp, was a grand success and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The menu was very long and everything that the men could possibly have had at home was provided by the ladies in great profusion. There was enough left over for a second meal which was served to each company on the succeeding day. President and Mrs. Dole were present and looked after the arrangements. Col. Barber made a very appropriate address to the citizens of Honolulu, and taken altogether the day was the happiest of all the days of our four months' sojourn in the "Paradise of the Pacific."

What is to become of us on our arrival at San Francisco, to-morrow, is a mere matter of speculation with us. The orders are for Col. Barber to "take his command to San Francisco and report to the general commanding the Department of California for further orders." We all hope that a train will be in waiting to speed us across the continent.

NICK.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Of Middletown Lodge, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

Middletown Lodge, No. 40, B. of R. T., held its annual election, Sunday afternoon, resulting as follows:

M.—C. Jones.
V. M.—E. R. Babcock.
Sect.—G. E. Griffis.
Fin.—Thos. Boyd.
Col.—Geo. Green.
Journal Agent—F. Jones.
Delegate—G. E. Griffis.
Alternate—D. L. Prime.

An Odd Fellows' Lodge's Celebration.

Acme Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Newburgh, celebrated, Friday evening, the twentieth anniversary of its organization and also the formal opening of the new lodge rooms. The lodge is in a very prosperous condition, having a membership of 140.

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KEEP OFF THE FAIR GROUNDS.

Three Boys Arrested for Trespass—Suit Warning to All Other Trespassers on the Fair Grounds.

Ever since the Orange County Agricultural Society located its buildings at Middletown the superintendent, J. E. Wells, has been annoyed and the society has suffered losses by persons breaking locks, entering the buildings and committing petty thefts. Mr. Wells has exercised a vast amount of forbearance in this matter, but recently he set a watch on the buildings, with the result that three boys were arrested, Saturday. The boys, who were about twelve years of age, were arraigned before Justice McNamee at Mechanicstown and pleaded guilty to the charge.

Owing to their youth, and as the boys were of good reputation heretofore, the judge very wisely suspended sentence, at the same time giving them admonishing advice not to enter on the grounds or in the buildings of the society, save on fair days. He assured them, however, that if they persisted in their evil course and were arrested again and brought before him nothing would save them from the rigor of the law.

It is less than a year ago that the barn on the society grounds was burned, and it was thought then to be the work of boys either accidentally or for the sake of malicious fun.

Mr. Wells is determined to break up the habit many persons have of making these grounds public property, and hereafter a strict watch will be maintained to ascertain who may trespass or pilfer from the property.

MRS. KING'S AFFECTIONS.

Suit for Their Alienation Discontinued by Her Husband.

From the Walden Citizen.

The action recently brought by Arthur E. C. King, of Brooklyn, against John H. Merrihew, of Wallkill, in which damages to the amount of $20,000 were claimed for the alleged alienation of Mrs. King's affections, has been discontinued. Charles D. Evans, of New York, was the attorney for the plaintiff, while Mr. Merrihew was represented by E. B. Walker, of this village. This ends one chapter of this sensational affair.

We understand, however, that the suit for divorce has not as yet been settled.

Locked In an Erie Freight Car.

Yells and thumps coming from a freight car in the Erie yard at Newburgh, Saturday morning, led to the immediate opening of the car, from which emerged three young men. They said they entered the car at Bergen, N. J., with the permission of the agent, and fell asleep. When they awoke they found themselves locked in and the car in motion. The car was loaded with furniture and nothing appeared to be disturbed. The men were held till the agent could examine the freight and way bills.

Port Jervis Boys' Hook and Ladder Truck.

A party of nineteen Port Jervis boys have organized themselves into a hook and ladder company and have bought a $50 truck, which they think knocks the spots off that of the Surprise boys, of this city. It is eleven feet long and about three feet high and and is equipped with three ladders. The truck is painted red with white decorations. The name selected for the company is "Juvenile Hook and Ladder."

Susquehanna and Western's New Superintendent.

E. E. Loomis, of Elmira, Superintendent of the Tioga Division of the Erie Railroad, has been appointed General Superintendent of the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad and of the Wilkesbarre and Eastern Railroad, vice Superintendent McKelvey, resigned, and has been made General Manager of the Erie Railroad's anthracite interests in Pennsylvania.

Binghamton State Hospital Report.

The Binghamton State Hospital, with an average daily population of 1,339, reports 103 deaths during the year. Of these sixty-eight were over fifty years of age and forty were under treatment more than two years. Of the 209 patients discharged during the year sixty-six had recovered.

To Welcome E. W. Schubert.

Mrs. E. W. Schubert and Mrs. Theo. Frank went to New York, Sunday, expecting to meet Mr. Schubert, who has been spending several months in Europe. Geo. Frank, who is a student at Packard's College, was at the dock with them, to-day, to meet Mr. Schubert.

Game Dinners at Neversink Park.

Ed. G. Geisenheimer's Neversink Park, near Port Jervis, has been thrown open to the public and "Ed" is now serving game dinners, one party of twenty having been there Sunday. A number from this city are planning a New Year's dinner there.

A Wife Beater Sent to Jail.

Edward McNerny, of Port Jervis, charged by his wife with having assaulted her, was sent to Goshen jail, Saturday, to spend ninety days in assaulting stone in the stone yard.

SLATE HILL.

A Pie Sociable.

Correspondence ARGUS and HERALD.

—The Epworth League, of Slate Hill, will hold a "pie sociable" at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Sargeant, Wednesday evening, Dec. 14. If stormy, the next evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A POPULAR MISTAKE

Regarding Remedies for Dyspepsia and Indigestion.

The national disease of Americans is indigestion or in its chronic form, dyspepsia, and for the very reason that it is so common many people neglect taking proper treatment for what they consider trifling stomach trouble, when as matter of fact, indigestion lays the foundation for many incurable diseases. No person with a vigorous, healthy stomach will fall a victon to consumption. Many kidney diseases and heart trouble date their beging from poor indiestion; thin, nervous people are really so because their stomachs are out of gear; weary, languid, faded out women owe their condition to imperfect digestion.

When nearly every person you meet is afflicted with weak digestion it is not surprising that nearly every secret patent medicine on the market claims to be a cure for dyspepsia, as well as a score of other troubles, when in fact, as Dr. Werthier says, there is but one genuine dyspepsia cure which is perfectly safe and reliable, and moreover, this remedy is not a patent medicine but it is a scientific combination of pure pepsin (free from animal matter), vegetable essences, fruit salts, bismuth. It is sold by druggists under name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. No extravagant claims are made for them, but for indigestion at any stomach trouble, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are far ahead of any remedy yet discovered They act on the food eaten, no dieting is necessary, simply eat all the wholesome food you want and these tablets will digest it, A cure results, because all the stomach needs is a rest, which Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets given by doing the work of digestion.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12.—Snow to-night and Tuesday; much colder, northwesterly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 28°; 12 m., 32°; 3 p. m., 31°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—Dec. 10—"Uncle Tom's Cabin," at Casino.
—Dec. 15—Clam chowder supper, at First Baptist Church, by Ladies' Aid Society.
—Dec. 15—Concert at the Casino by the Misses Howland, Grant Odell and others.
—Dec. 16—"A Bachelor's Honeymoon," at Casino
—Dec 15—Sale and gentlemen's supper at Universalist parsonage.

FOR LOWER EXPRESS RATES.

The Merchants' Association of New York city, has inaugurated a movement to secure a reduction of express rates. It is proposed to secure the passage of an act putting the express companies under the control of the Railroad Commission and giving that body the right to fix charges.

Merchants in this city have received circulars from the Association in which freight and express rates to all the principal stations in the State are given. The table is a most interesting one for business men to study and shows most plainly that the express companies are more than well paid for the promptness of their service.

Local merchants are asked to interest their Senator and Assemblyman in favor of the proposed legislation. This shows that the Merchants' Association of New York is composed of cheerful optimists or of men who don't keep tab on politics. Don't they know that Thomas C. Platt, as president of the United States Express Co., is interested in the express business almost as much as he is interested in politics, and how is any measure that clips the profits of the express companies to get past a legislature controlled by his creatures? What does the average Republican legislator care for the wishes of his constituents in a matter in which Platt's interests are involved?

A New Jersey man, who is seeking a divorce, gives as one reson why his matrimonial bonds should be loosened that his wife, during their entire wedded life, has made but one tapioca pudding. The decision of this case will afford opportunity for a judicial opinion as to the exact number of tapioca puddings that a wife should provide in a year to insure matrimonial bliss and a happy home.

PRISONERS AT THE BAR.

The Time of Judge Beattie's County Court Devoted to Criminal Business—All the Prisoners Arraigned, Except R. A. Malone, Jr., Pleaded Not Guilty—A Horse Thief Asked for Mercy and Got Five Years.

The December term of the County Court, Judge Beattie presiding, opened at Goshen to-day All the civil cases were sent over till Thursday and the time of the court was occupied with criminal cases.

Joseph Boggi, a junk dealer of Newburgh, indicted for receiving stolen goods, pleaded guilty. Remanded for sentence.

Frank S Green, indicted for larceny in stealing a horse from Liveryman W. C. Trimble, of Newburgh, pleaded guilty, and asked for the mercy of the court. Sentenced to five years in Sing Sing.

R A Malone, Jr, of this city, indicted for robbery in the second degree, pleaded not guilty. It will be remembered that he is charged with assaulting and robbing Charles S Moore, on Genung street, this city. He said that he needed witnesses and asked to have his case put over. Sheriff Strong said that the prisoner had said nothing to him about witnesses, and it was the general belief that the accused sought delay in order that his case might not come up before Judge Beattie. The trial was set for to morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

Daniel Kennedy and Joseph Grudinski, indicted for burglary in the third degree, committed on the Millspaugh Hardware Company store in this city, pleaded not guilty, this morning, but this afternoon they withdrew their former plea and substituted one of guilty. Remanded for sentence

Joseph Jefferson, of Goshen, indicted for larceny, stealing chickens, pleaded guilty and sentence suspended.

George Potter and Matthias A. Matthews, indicted for burglary in the second degree, committed in the town of Wallkill, pleaded guilty and was remanded

Daniel Conkling and Floyd Conkling, indicted for burglary in the third degree, in robbing a milk car at Port Jervis, pleaded guilty and were remanded.

MILL KEEP MANILA.

Gen. Miles Says We're as Likely to Give Up Bunker Hill.

LANDING AT HAVANA!

J. Pierpont Morgan's Yacht Launched at Newburgh.

Gen. Miles Before the House Committee on Military Matters.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Gen Miles appeared before the House Committee on military affairs, to-day, and gave his views in favor of increasing the army to 100,000 men. In the course of his remarks he said.

"If we are to keep the Philippines, and I have no more idea that we will give up Manilla than we will give up Bunker Hill or any other place immortalized in our history, a native force will largely augment our own troops there, and I understand the natives are ready to enter upon this service."

J. P. MORGAN'S YACHT LAUNCHED

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEWBURGH, Dec. 12—J. Pierpont Morgan's yacht Corsair was launched at Marvel's yard, this morning, in the presence of several thousand people. Among those present were Hon. Chauncey M. Depew, W. K. Vanderbilt, Jos. H. Choate, Commander Kane, U. S. N.; Bishop Doane, Beaver Webb, the designer of the yacht, and Wm. Rockafeller. Miss Louisa Morgan, daughter of the banker, broke a beribboned bottle of champagne on the Corsair's bow and christened her. A banquet followed the launching.

BRIDE AND BRIDEGROOM KILLED

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BURGETTSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 12—Carl McBride and wife were instantly killed by an express train at Raccoon Station, on the Pan Handle road, to-day. They were crossing the track in a sleigh when a train dashed into them, both being terribly mangled. McBride and his wife had been married but a few weeks.

LANDING AT HAVANA.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

HAVANA, Dec. 12—The 202 New York Regiment began to land at 6 o'clock, this morning.

FIRST NEW YORK'S HOME-COMING

Contradictory Reports as to When It Will Leave San Francisco.

Advices from San Francisco as to the plans of the War Department in regard to the transportation east of the First New York are contradictory.

The New York *Times* published, Sunday, a dispatch of similar purport to the special printed in Saturday's ARGUS to the effect that the regiment would start east, to-day, if the cars for their transportation reach San Francisco, as expected on Sunday. It also printed the following dispatch:

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—The latest instructions from the War Department are that the First New York Regiment shall be transported to New York as a whole, and not in battalions, as heretofore stated. This will necessitate the postponement of the departure of the First Battalion until the arrival of the balance of the regiment from Honolulu. The steamer City of Peking, which was due here yesterday from Honolulu with the New Yorkers, has not yet been sited, but her delay is accounted for by the officers of the steamer Hupeh, which arrived from the Orient via Honolulu last night, who state that the embarkation of the New Yorkers was progressingly slowly She is expected to arrive early to-morrow morning The steamer Scandia, due to arrive here next week, will bring a large detachment and the balance of the New Yorkers will come on the steamer Alameda, due on Dec 14 It will depend a great deal on the general health of the New Yorkers whether or not they will be sent home in time for Christmas

Of the men already here, sixteen of them are in the division hospital Private Crogan of Co. L is slightly ill with typhoid pneumonia. If the health of the men to arrive here is as good the regiment will probably go East almost at once, but should it be poor the soldiers will be detained until such time as the health of the regiment permits transportation.

Died of His Injuries.

George Clark, of near Westtown, who was thrown from a wagon, Thursday, near DeWitt Thompson's, died, Saturday evening about 6 o'clock, from the injuries he sustained. He never recovered consciousness.

He was sixty-seven years old and was a good citizen who will be widely missed

Funeral will be held Thursday, at 11 a. m, from his late residence. Burial in Clark Cemetery, Greenville.

Beauty Is Blood Deep.

Clean blood means a clean skin No beauty without it Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Dr Miles' Pain Pills cure Headache.

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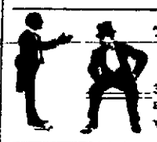

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DRESS GOODS For Christmas Gifts.

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We are showing a very attractive line of useful articles for the Holidays, which we will be pleased to show you.

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Luzern All Wool Underwear, Former Prices $1.50, Reduction Price 75c

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Men's Ulsters $2.25.

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$24.00 SUITS	REDUCED TO $17.
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Holiday Talk for Men and Boys.

We have been making big preparations for several weeks, and now show the greatest display of useful presents, for men or boys, in this city. A few suggestions.

Overcoats, Suits, Hats, House Coats, Bath Robes,

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Handkerchiefs, Neckwear, Suspenders, Kid and Fur Gloves

OUR CELEBRATION SALE!

We will continue our prices as advertised for our sale until Dec. 17th.

Buy your presents before that date.

MORRIS B. WOLF. "The Blue Front Store," No. 10 NORTH STREET.

AT STERN'S—Something Worth Reading.

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Settle themselves when faced with our attractive stock of goods suitable for gifts.

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—Choice Card Cases and Pocketbooks, in fine leathers, with or without silver mountings.

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A good opportunity for the right man for Orange county or local district, as preferred. Wanted, a man well and favorably known, (permanent man preferred,) to sell on commission, Ext. Brass, King & Co's High Grade Paints and Varnishes Apply, with references and full particulars of qualifications, to BILLINGS, KING & CO., 208 Pearl St., New York City. A painter, upon application will receive from us valuable hints on painting and varnishing. dFri,toJuly1,'99

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Cotton and wool. Women's goods in wool, cotton and fleece lined. Men's goods in all wool, cotton and wool mixed, and all cotton. Children's goods in all sizes and qualities. Some extra strong stockings for the boys.

We have the latest styles in Gents' Puffs and Bows.

J. D. HORTON, AGT.,

No. 17 West Main Street.

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What more acceptable gift for maid or matron?

And the dainty crystal vials holding them—so worthy their precious contents—cut glass bottles in perfect taste and in all sizes for all purses?

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Our SPECIAL PERFUME sale at CHRISTMAS is a welcome boon to the puzzled searcher.

For 25 cents you buy a pretty package—for 75 cents a "gem," but regardless of price or size your gift is perfect in its way—quality the best in the world.

For it's with the many people we find our patrons—it's the masses whom we wish as customers.

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Christmas Presents.

We have been six months in selecting our present holiday stock, with the result that such a variety has seldom, if ever, been displayed this side of New York.

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Our own importation. Rather than run the risk of carrying any of these goods over another season, we have marked the prices at a very small profit.

LAMPS.

These have been displayed in our windows, as the different styles arrived, and the fact that we have been compelled to duplicate our orders is evident that the line is not surpassed.

ROCKERS.

We have selected from many manufacturers their very best patterns, and have most any kind you want and at all prices.

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—For backache, Doan's Pills.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—*Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.*

—Regular meeting of Common Council, to-night.

—"A Bachelor's Honeymoon," at the Casino, next Friday evening.

—During the past year 524 fox hunters were paid in Dutchess county.

—Fine bon bons and chocolates at Laskaris' Palace Confectionery, 24 North street. d tf

—A ball given by the "O. and W. employes" will be held at the Assembly Rooms, January 21.

—The Mission Circle of Christ Church will meet at the parsonage, to-morrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

—The Erie's western trains were all from two to five hours late, Sunday night, caused by deep snow in the west.

—Fresh peanut brittle, cocoanut brittle and chewing taffy at Laskaris', 24 North street and 17 West Main street. tf

—The Pastime Club will have a special meeting, to-night, at 7:30, at its rooms, at East Main street and Railroad avenue.

—A trolley car broke down at Midway Park, Sunday afternoon, and was brought to this city by the "White Elephant."

—Nick Tilla, who has been the bootblack at J. E. Barrett's on James street for some months, has taken charge of the popular chair at Gunther's.

—James Straney, the Henry street blacksmith, has taken into partnership P. E. Sarr, late of Port Jervis. The name of the firm is Straney & Sarr.

—The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Kingston Y. M. C. A. took in $1,003 at their recent fair and did it without the sale of chances or other devices of questionable propriety.

—Ulster county's Supervisors have made several appropriations for road improvement and it is believed that the good roads' agitation in that county is at last likely to bear fruit.

—A rehearsal for the Chimes of Normandy will be held at Nearing Hall at 8:30, this evening. Tickets are now on sale at H. S. Dusenberry & Sons' and at Bradnack's music store.

—Go to the First Baptist Church, Thursday evening, Dec. 15, and enjoy a clam chowder supper. Other refreshments will also be served. Supper from 5 to 10 o'clock. Proceeds for the organ fund. d12&14

—At the Misses Howlands' concert at the Casino, Thursday evening, a very attractive programme will be presented in which they will be heard in some of their best selections. Grant Odell, the popular baritone, will assist.

—Guy Bros.' minstrels, which made such a hit at the Casino, last season, are billed to appear there again next Saturday evening. The chart for reserved seats is to be opened to the public, to-morrow, and popular prices will prevail.

—"A Bachelor's Honeymoon," one of Hoyt's funniest farce comedies, has been secured for the Casino, next Friday evening. Some parts of the play are inexpressibly funny and when presented in New York city, "caught on" among theatre goers in a way to produce roars of laughter. The cast promised for this city is an excellent one. The regular prices are to be charged for reserved seats.

PERSONAL.

—John Hobart, of New York, spent Sunday in town.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blighton spent Sunday at Fishkill.

—John W. Carpenter, of Brooklyn, spent Sunday with friends in this city.

—Mr. and Mrs. O. G. O'Neal, 219 Wawayanda avenue, visited relatives in Goshen, yesterday.

—John Faulkner, the Western Union operator at Newburgh, spent Sunday in town with his parents.

—Miss Marion Ellis, of Bloomingburgh, left Friday evening, for Toledo, O., where she will spend the winter.

—Miss Nellie Purdy, of Middletown, is spending a few days with Miss Lucie Ormsbee, 290 Liberty street.—*Newburgh Register.*

—Jacob Lehn, of Port Jervis, was called to this city, Saturday, by the severe illness of his son, Jacob Lehn, of Tepe & Heineman's shop.

—Henry J. Wilkins, General Secretary of the Newburgh Y. M. C. A., who was formerly in charge of the Middletown association's work, has been given a leave of absence on account of ill health.

Part of the Christmas Herald Carried By.

The package containing the fourth section of the Christmas *Herald* was carried by on Sunday morning's paper train and was returned this morning. Those who ordered Christmas *Heralds* and want this section may get it by calling at Conkling's news store, 35 James street.

A Reasonable if Somewhat Amateur Joke

"Killed by hard drink" is the [illegible] the man died who was struck on the head by a falling cake of ice, according to a joke now on the rounds.

DEATH OF PRIVATE WELLER.

Letters of Sympathy to the Bereaved Parents—Words of Comfort from His Nurse.

Geo. H. Weller received several letters, to-day, from members of Company I, among them Capt. McIntyre, Lieut. Decker and the nurse who attended his son, Alfred, in his last illness. They contained messages of sympathy and encouragement. As will be seen by "Nick's" letter, the body will probably reach here December 20.

HONOLULU, H. I.,
Nov. 28, 1898.

MY DEAR MRS. WELLER:—During the past few months I have had to write so many of these letters that carry sadness and sorrow into the homes where they go, and I find it doubly hard to write this one to you for the time has been so short since I wrote giving you hope and, O, how can I break your heart by telling you, but God alone can give you strength to endure it.

You will grieve, but in your sorrow let me tell you everything that human hands could do was done for your son, and we tried so hard to save that life which was so precious to you, but God knew best and like many others he was called to his heavenly home while in these little isles of the sea, and his going reminds us this is not our home.

In his conscious moments it was always "write to my mother, but tell her I'm all right," and such messages he always gave. He did not seem to suffer, but the fever was too severe and he could not rally, and on Saturday, Nov. 26, at 10 o'clock, he was called to answer to the roll call above.

I will send you as soon as I can the pictures of the hospital, camp, church and one other. How I would gladly bear this sorrow for you if I could, but each one must bear his own burden.

I am glad I can say we did all we could and while I grieve to have to write these lines to you I feel if you knew how willing were the sympathising friends to do anything they could, you will be comforted to know he died among friends, but so many of the poor mothers can not even see the earthly body of the dear one they gave up for their country.

I am a stranger to you, but feel that I know the mother of the boy I grew to love and tried so hard to make his illness as light as possible. Just a day or two before, I took him a bouquet and when he was in his right mind he said to my sister, (nurse in charge,) "beautiful; does mother know? They look like home."

If there is anything I can do for you won't you let me know?

We have so many ill ones here and I find so much to do that I often find my strength not equal to my will. I am glad the well ones are going home, and as soon as they can travel the sick boys.

May God put his strong arm of love around you and help you to say, "It is well."

From your strange, but sympathising friend, MRS. JENNIE BERREY.

Capt. McIntyre writes as follows:

CO. I, 1ST REG., INFANTRY, N. Y. V.
CAMP MCKINLEY,
HONOLULU, NOV. 27, '98

MR. GEORGE WELLER,
Middletown, N. Y.

MY DEAR MR. WELLER—It is with the deepest sorrow I am compelled to inform you that the fate of a soldier has overcome one of the youngest and best soldiers of my company. Saturday morning, at about 11 o'clock, of Nov. 25th, your son, Alfred C. Weller, after a brave fight of about ten days, passed away. He was taken with typhoid fever a few days after our removal to a new camp, and removed to the Post Hospital, where every attention possible was given him, but the fever seemed to take such a hold of him from the start, that the physicians were unable to reduce it.

His death has cast a gloom over the company, as Alfred was a great favorite with officers and men, and though one of our youngest members, was looked upon as one of the model soldiers of the company.

I have had everything possible done for the proper preservation of the body, which will be forwarded home at the earliest possible moment.

Please accept from myself, officers and men of this company our heartfelt sympathy in this your bereavement.

Trusting that I may see you soon and give you fuller details, I am,

Regretfully,
A. E. MCINTYRE,
Captain.

SKIES IN DECEMBER.

The Star-Lit Twelve-Month Sky Presents a Superb Appearance.

December is not behind the previous month of the year in the variety and beauty of its presentation of celestial phenomena. The great events of the month are the passing of Venus from the evening to the morning realm of stars, the total eclipse of the moon on the 27th and the beginning of astronomical winter on the 21st.

The star-lit December sky is superb, for it is graced by the most beautiful stars and constellations that are ever seen by mortal eyes, and when the December full moon "runs high" the celestial picture is ennobling and uplifting.

It is at this season that we find Sirius, the dog star, and Aldebaran, pointing to the Pleiades, well above them in the heavens. Beneath them hangs Orion, which gorgeous constellation never burns more vividly than at present, as it swings itself forth above the rim of the landscape. The famous Twins, Castor and Pollux, almost rest on the horizon, the square of Pegasus is in the northwest, while far away Aega sparkles like a lamp suspended amid leafless trees, and show us the way to where the chair of Cassiopeia stands daintily poised.

Jupiter is now found rising almost three hours ahead of the sun, from which he is drawing farther and farther away each succeeding day. He is now lord of the dawn and holds his place for several weeks to come, without fear of a rival Venus emerging from the sun's powerful rays.

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HYSTERIA IN RELIGION.

Rev. Dr. Robinson Defends Dr. Talcott from the Attacks of Zealous but Ill-Informed Clerics—Emotional Religious Excitement Discussed.

Rev. Dr. W. A. Robinson, of the First Congregational Church, preached upon "Hysteria in Religion," Sunday night. He referred to the wide attention Dr. Talcott's reference to this matter in his annual report had attracted, and said that the subject had been perverted by many zealous but ill-informed critics of the doctor's position. He read that part of the doctor's report which touched upon this subject, and said that he could not but be impressed with its fairness and its reverent tone, and pointed out that it refers to the training of youth and not of hardened men. It gives wise and judicious counsel, for children should not be frightened with tales of God's unappeasable wrath but should be taught that he is a God of love and that mercy and loving kindness temper all his judgments. "Two questions," he said, "arise in my thought." First, does the working up of an excited, emotional state of mind help religious life? Second, does religion tend to produce hysteria? My answer to the first is that it depends upon our definition of religious life, of the motives that best inspire it, and of the channels through which the power of these motives may be transmitted to conscience, will and affection. Hysteria hinders rather than helps.

"Second, the superficial morbid misrepresentation of religion does have. But its tone and proper presentation does not."

Dr. Robinson emphasized the worth of religion in steadying the soul in its disclosure of the forgiving love of God saying that it "broadens the soul's outlook, opens the sphere of active usefulness and stimulates hope."

OBITUARY.

Mrs. William Anthony.

Mrs. Margaret Anthony, wife of William Anthony, died, Dec. 4, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Simeon Cole, at Walpack Centre, N. J., of pneumonia, after a week's illness, aged seventy years.

She was for many years a resident of Tri-States and is survived by her husband and two children, Mrs. Cole, and George, of Unionville.

William Wait.

William Wait, Sr., from whom Wait street, Riverside, received its name, died Saturday, at his home in Paterson, in his eighty-second year. Mr. Wait was one of Paterson's oldest citizens. In the early days of the Riverside settlement Mr. Wait had a large farm there, and he leaves an estate valued at about $70,000 to be divided among seven children.

Mrs. H. V. Wright, mother of Erie ticket agent, James Wright, of this city, is one of the number.

August Lippert.

From Our Goshen Correspondent.

August Lippert, proprietor of the Hotel Germania, in this village, died at 4 o'clock, this morning, of typhoid pneumonia, aged twenty-eight years. He had been ill since Friday.

Mr. Lippert was born in Germany, and came to this country fourteen years ago. He had been a resident of Goshen for twelve years. He is survived by his widow and a small son; also by a brother, Robert, of Chester, and two married sisters, one of whom resides in New York, and the other in the Argentine Republic, in South America.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

Horses Took a Long Run.

A team of horses, one of which belonged to W. R. Rodgers and the other to Louis J. Beers, ran from Sunset street, this morning, and did not stop nor do any damage until they collided with a pole in front of Ayres' grocery, near Franklin Square, wrecking the wagon. The horses were caught and found uninjured.

Colored Men in a Fight.

There was a lively fight on Fulton street, Sunday night, between a party of colored men which alarmed the whole thoroughfare. No one was killed and no arrests were made.

Ontario and Western Earnings.

The Ontario and Western reports earnings for the first week of December of $63,055, an increase of $1,899 on the corresponding week, last year.

Business Notes.

—Adams & Boyd announce a grand reduction sale in boys and men's clothing and in their custom department. In their advertisement they quote prices to show how sweeping their reductions are.

—Budwig & Co. in their big advertisement elsewhere offer all kinds of clothing at such a big reduction from former prices that their store ought to be thronged with purchasers. There are many things in their stock admirably adapted to the needs of Christmas shoppers and those in want of useful gifts can find them at small cost at this holiday reduction sale.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Winners of the Bowling Contest—Club's Election and Smoker—Dinner to Senator-Elect Goodsell—Exchange of Pulpits—To Be Married in Brooklyn—Other Notes.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—The bowling contest at the Goshen Social and Athletic Association, was decided, Saturday night. Harry F. Hoyt was the successful competitor in the high average contest, maintaining an average of 161 and a fraction for twenty consecutive games. Behind him came Dr. Parker, whose average was a trifle better than 159. The high score prize was won by Dr. Parker, who rolled 197, defeating Mr. Hoyt, his next opponent, by three pins.

—The annual meeting of the club will be held, to-night. A smoker will be a feature of the meeting. Arrangements for the entertainment of the members have been perfected and a pleasant evening is assured.

—The testimonial banquet tendered by the Supervisors to Hon. Louis F. Goodsell, chairman, will take place at the St. Elmo, Wednesday evening.

—Rev. Frank L. Wilson, of Middletown, exchanged pulpits with Rev. E. B. Clark, Sunday night.

—At the home of the bride in Brooklyn, Wednesday, James J. O'Connor, of this village, will be quietly married to Miss Helen Coyne. Miss May Driscoll, of Brooklyn, will be bridesmaid and M. J. Donovan, Jr., of this village, will be best man.

—Miss Bertha Samuels entertained a party of friends from New York, Newburgh and Middletown, Sunday.

—James Coyne, of Brooklyn, is visiting J. J. O'Connor.

—R. T. Braun, of New York, was at Goshen, Sunday.

—Campbell Steward, of New York, spent Sunday in town.

EDWARD WINKLER'S SUICIDE.

Hanged Himself in His Barn, Saturday Afternoon, in a Fit of Despondency.

Edward Winkler, a well known truckman, committed suicide by hanging himself to a beam in his barn, at 8 Rowan street, Saturday afternoon. He had been despondent for a fortnight past, because he had been "turned down" on a corporation job.

Mrs. Winkler, who found the body shortly after 4 o'clock, states that the beam from which it was hanging was not high enough from the ground to permit of suicide, and to accomplish his purpose he had drawn his legs up, and they were found in the shape described.

Coroner Harding cut down the body on his arrival, and having heard the stories of the family, it was decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

The deceased was survived by his wife and one daughter, Rose A.

About a year ago, Pauline Winkler, a daughter of the deceased, became despondent and drowned herself in the pond on the Tryon farm.

Mr. Winkler was a well known truckman, who gave satisfaction to all his employers. He enjoyed membership and had held office in Luther Lodge, I. O. O. F.

A Six-Year Old Boy Making a Long Journey Alone.

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Love's happy voices when the days are warm,

The call of flocks, the humming of the bee,
The lay and leafage of the greenwood tree,
The long melodious sorrowing of the hill,
The fall of dream when all the world is still—

What charm these ever had, they have it now;
Nature, eternal youth is on her brow,
Beauty is hers, forever round her way,
Not hers, but ours, the roses of a day.
—John V. Cheney, in N. Y. Outlook.

The Courage of Blevins

WHEN Johnny Blevins and Herby Rounse came out of the theater at 11 o'clock and found that there was a tie-up on the North side cable lines Johnny, who lived on the North side, said that he would be darned. He said it with such fervor, so that it sounded far worse than might be imagined, and Herby felt, not for the first time, that Johnny was not a fellow to be trifled with when he was thoroughly aroused.

"It's too bad, old man, isn't it?" he said. "I'd ask you to come around to my diggings, only some cousins of ours are up from Aurora and the house is full. You can take a cab, though. It's a terrible bore, isn't it?"

"Horrible," assented Johnny. "I don't believe I've got money enough for a cab. It's a horrible bore."

"I haven't, either," said Herby. "I guess you'll have to walk, old man."

"I guess I will, too. It isn't much of a walk, anyway. I can do it in half an hour easy."

Herby expressed his admiration of his friend's pedestrian capability, and the two walked over to Clark street, where they parted.

"Don't let anybody hold you up, old man," said Herby, as he shook hands. Johnny gave a laugh of mingled scorn and recklessness and turned his face northward.

Johnny was firmly convinced in his own mind that it would be a rash and ill-advised bandit who would attempt to hold him up. He knew, of course, that people had been robbed now and then, but he had a sort of theory that they must have betrayed some sign of timidity or at least irresolution in the first place and that their resistance could have been only half-hearted when the attack was made—that is, if they resisted at all. He had often pictured to himself how he would have acted in such an emergency.

Johnny is not a young man of imposing physique. He admits that himself. Figures applied to weight and dimensions are, as Johnny says, "what you can't get around," and five feet eight and one-half is not an extraordinary height any more than 138 pounds is an extraordinary weight. Still Johnny takes a great deal of comfort in his chest expansion and in the rigidity of the muscles of his forearm.

"There is not an ounce of superfluous flesh about me," he is wont to say, and there is a great deal of truth in the remark. He has an arrangement of rubber cords, handles and pulleys screwed to the doorpost in his bedroom, which he calls an exerciser, and he exercises on it morning and evening most religiously—also a pair of six-pound dumbbells and a pair of Indian clubs, with which he nearly brained himself the last time he tried to use them. He has a pair of foils, too, and Johnny is going to take fencing lessons some of these days. He is going to take boxing lessons, too, perhaps, though for the matter of that he has a great deal of confidence in himself already as far as boxing is concerned. He has the art intuitively, as it were. Two or three of the fellows with whom he has put on the gloves tell him that he is a wonder.

There was one fellow, however, who nearly destroyed Johnny's opinion of his own prowess. He is a boy who has a pimply face and wears a horseshoe scarfpin and smokes his cigars from one side of his mouth. When the two had pulled off their coats and stood facing each other he suddenly put one padded hand to his face and began to laugh in the most outrageous and insulting manner.

"You ain't going to hold your mits that way, are you?" he asked, shaking with mirth.

"Never you mind about that," returned Johnny. "You put up your hands and look out for yourself."

"All right; you're the doctor," said his opponent, whereupon he executed a circling walk, sawing his arms and crossing his feet at every third step with an impressive stamp. "You see," he continued, presenting a profile view of his figure and rolling his head about easily, "if I make a pass at you like—this—"

Johnny's first impression was that there had been a gas explosion and that the roof had fallen in. When he recovered and regained his balance he saw his antagonist was laughing; also that he had his hands down. He lunged out straight from the shoulder at the grinning face, but somehow the face was not there by the time his arm straightened, and he would have fallen headlong if he had not been brought up with an abrupt jolt in the ribs. That taught him caution, but it shortened his breath, and altogether he felt rather dizzy, and as the young man with the exasperating smile went circling, bobbing and stamping about the room Johnny had hard work to keep the run of him.

"Are you onto the pivot?" came from the segment of the shoulder-working circle.

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fell into the coal scuttle and stayed there until he was pulled out.

Nevertheless he is of the opinion that he would have made short work of the young man with the horseshoe pin if the bout had lasted a little longer.

Johnny thought of that boxing match as he strode over the Clark street bridge and of how he would turn it to account if he should be invited to throw up his hands instead of to put up his mitts. He would swing around on one footpad with that short-arm body blow, catch the other with his left on the point of the chin or the hinge of the jaw and deliver blow after blow with such lightning-like rapidity that they would have no chance to retaliate.

There were two suspicious-looking young men standing before the door of a saloon from whence came the sound of a piano and a fiddle—just the fellows for the business, Johnny thought, as he passed them. He eyed them boldly and steadily, and they both looked at him and laughed.

Three more men were advancing toward him along the sidewalk, and he threw out his chest and squared his shoulders. They passed him by without a word.

It would be a good thing, thought Johnny, if he should hear a girl scream, and, on dashing up, should find—after he had dispersed the ruffians—that it was the daughter of old Watson whom he had rescued. Watson was Johnny's employer, and he lived on the North side, too. Still, on reflection, it was not likely that she would be roaming around at that time of night. For another thing, he was not sure that old Watson had a daughter.

There were quite a number of people out on the street that night, and Johnny began to feel a sense of exhilaration. He thought he knew that eight out of ten of them would have dragged him into one of those mysterious doorways and there would have strangled and robbed him—if they had only dared. At the same time, there were a few mighty ugly faces here and there under the glare of the street lamps, and Johnny began to own to himself that he would not care to handle more than two of the fellows at a time.

He began to wonder if one or two who had looked rather hard at him were following him, and he instinctively looked back. Certainly there were people coming along after him, but they might be innocent of any design upon him. Would they, if they had designs and if by any mischance they should happen to overcome him, express their disappointment at his impecunious condition with billies and brass knuckles, or would his watch appease them? Was it really worth while to make a hard fight and imperil his existence for a cheap watch and 13 cents? He asks himself this question.

He had passed Chicago avenue and was walking a little faster and close to the curb, for it was darker along here and quieter. Presently he crossed the street and turned into a path that ran diagonally across a small park. As he approached the fountain that was in the center he heard a sharp, metallic clink and rattle that made him start from the cement path to the bordering grass. A dark form at the same time appeared from behind the fountain and spat out a mouthful of water with what Johnny recognized even in the half-gloom as an appearance of disgust.

"Say!" called the apparition.

But Johnny had passed around him and was striding rapidly off.

"Say, you!" it called again.

Johnny looked back and saw the apparition was walking after him. Then he threw appearances to the wind and ran.

It was nearly a mile to his home, but he did not stop once and hardly slackened speed until he was sitting, panting, on the lowest of the front steps. At last he recovered sufficiently to ring the bell. His father shuffled downstairs with a lamp in his hand and his suspenders trailing behind him.

"What's happened to you, Johnny?" he asked, when he saw his son's white face.

"Nothing," replied Johnny, rather breathlessly still. "I wanted to see how fast I could sprint on asphalt. I made good time," he added, vainGloriously.

The old gentleman looked at him attentively for a minute, and the young man did not bear the scrutiny very well.—Chicago Daily Record.

Mixing His Drink.

There is a story told of Mr. Gladstone which would show that the true meaning of the old saying: "Do not mix your drinks" was unknown to the great statesman. It is said to have been his habit to let the wines which were served in the course of dinner mobilize at his elbow, and during a pause in the conversation seize the glass that happened to be nearest. On one occasion Mr. Gladstone, who had refreshed himself as usual in this haphazard way, inveighed against the practice of mixing wines. It was respectfully pointed out to him that he had been guilty of this very act; but he explained, to his own satisfaction, that to mix wines was to fill up half a glass of champagne from the port decanter!—Cornhill Magazine.

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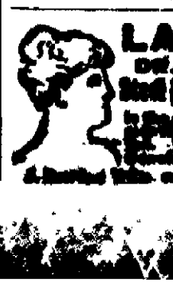

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"What has that to do with the necktie?"

"Can't you see? Society, me boy, admits only those who have bwains enough to tie their own necktie, don't you know."—N. Y. Weekly.

Reserved Her Decision.

"I cannot love you, George, because I understand that you—that you have loved other girls."

"But, Clara, my love for them was in every way justifiable, I assure you?"

"How, pray?"

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His Answer.

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INCONSIDERATE.

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The Turkey.

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And struts and lets his cares relax,
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His Failing.

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His Failing.

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NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	11	7 On't Day Ex	9 Sal-ly'n Co Exp	5 Chicago Limited	13 Local
	Mile	A M P M	F M	F M	
N. Y. Leave	0	7 40	3 03	5 40	
Franklin St	0	7 40	3 03	5 40	
W. 42d St.	0	7 36	3 15	5 15	
Weehawken	4	8 10	3 50	5 50	
Cornwall	6	8 45	4 25	6 25	
Firthcliffe	8	8 55	4 35	6 35	
Orrs Mills	9	9 05	4 45	6 45	
Little Britain	11	9 20	5 00	7 00	
Campbell Hall	14	9 40	5 20	7 20	
Stony Ford	17	10 00	5 40	7 40	
M'town Main St.	20	10 20	6 00	8 00	
M'town Ar	20	10 45	6 00	8 35	
M'town Lv	20	11 00	6 15	8 45	
Winterton	23	11 09	6 24		
Bloom'g'gh	25	11 18	6 33		
Wurtsboro	29	11 35	6 50		
Summitville	32	11 50	7 05		
Ellenville Ar	36	12 05	7 20		
Ellenville Lv	36	12 15	7 30		
Fallsburgh	40	12 35	7 50		
Hurleyville	43	12 48	8 03		
Ferndale	46	12 58	8 13		
Liberty	49	1 08	8 23		
Parksville	52	1 20	8 35		
Lyons Mills	55	1 30	8 45		
Rockland	58	1 40	8 55		
Cadosia	61	1 50	9 05		
Walton	64	2 00	9 15		
Maywood	67	2 10	9 25		
Sidney	70	2 20	9 35		
N'wich Ar	75	2 35	9 50		
N'wich Lv	75	2 45	9 50		
Castle	77	2 55	10 00		
Oneida Ar	82	3 15	10 20		
Oneida Lv	82	3 20	10 25		
Fulton	87	3 40	10 45		
Oswego Ar	92	4 00	11 05		
		P M	A M		

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 New Y'rk Exp	12 Milk	30 Local	14 Delhi Ex	2 N Y Day Exp	42 Nor-wich Exp	8 Sul-liv'n Co Exp
	A M	P M	A M	M	A M	P M	A M
Oswego lv	11 20		6 25		8 55	5 35	
Oneida Ar	12 52		7 55		10 25	6 55	
Oneida Lv	12 56		8 00		10 30	7 00	
Castle			8 05		10 35	7 05	
Norwich Ar	2 09		6 00	6 45	10 37	7 15	
Norwich Lv	2 14		P M	6 48	10 42	P M	
Sidney	3 05			7 40	11 40		
Maywood				7 58	11 57		
Walton	3 50	12 15		8 30	12 37		
Cadosia	4 21	1 30		p m	1 30		
Rockland		1 53			1 10		6 00
Lyons Mills	5 07	2 00			2 25		6 14
Parksville		2 16			2 37		6 25
Liberty	5 26	2 35			2 51		6 36
Ferndale		2 41			n2 55		6 41
Harleyville		4 04			3 06		6 50
Fallsburgh		4 19			3 14		6 57
Centreville		4 40			n3 32		7 04
Mountain D.		4 50			n3 42		7 10
Summitville	6 06	5 10			3 55		7 26
Wurtsboro		5 30			4 13		7 38
Bloom'g'bgh		5 39			4 21		7 43
Winterton		5 34			n4 02		7 38
M'town Ar	6 53	5 55			4 15		8 00
M'town Lv	6 45	6 30			4 30		8 10
Main St.		6 32			4 32		8 12
Stony Ford		6 59			4 46		8 25
Campb'll H.		7 15			4 52		8 31
Burnside		7 22			4 57		8 36
Little Britain		7 35			5 06		8 44
Orr's Mills		8 05			5 19		8 55
Firthcliffe		8 10			5 23		9 00
Cornwall		8 20			5 30		9 06
Weehawken	8 45	8 50			6 00		9 30
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N. Y. Fkln St	9 15	11 30			7 15		10 40
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* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

† Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers.

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

¶ Stop for meals.

Trains leave Cadosia 6 10 a. m., 2 05 p. m. Sunday only 4 30 p m for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., 6 15 p m. Sunday only 8 30 a m. for Cadosia.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40, 11 30, a. m., and 3 50, 6 50 p. m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00 10 50 a. m., and 3.10 and 5 40 p. m.

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 20 and *11 06 a. m. and 4 45 p. m. Except Saturday 1 30 p. m Sunday only 3 10 p m

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 8 10 a. m., 2 45 and 8 35 p m. Sunday only 9 15 a. m., and 2 15 p m. Except Saturday 12 37 p m

* Additional trains leave Livingston Manor at 1.35 p. m., stopping at all stations to Walton, arriving at 5 20 p. m. Leave Walton at 12 45 p. m. arrive at Norwich 5 30 p. m.

Leave Walton 7 00 a m, stopping at all stations to Livingston Manor, arriving at 12.35 p m. Leave Norwich 6 55 a m, all stations to Walton, arriving at 11 15 a m.

Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10.00 a m., *3 45 and 7 40 p m. Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and *10.02 a. m., and 2 10 p m.

For further particulars see local card.

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Lowest rates of fare to all points west. One to three dollars less than other lines.

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No. 5 arrives at Chicago 9.30 p. m.

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Secure rates via Ontario & Western before purchasing tickets and save money.

J. C Anderson, General Passenger Agent,
W. M. Tiel, Traveling Agent,
Middletown, N. Y

N. Y., S. & W. R. R.

In effect Nov. 29th, '97.

NORTH	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	Sun p m
New York Ferries			
West 23d St	5 10		3 50
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St.	8 30		4 19
Jersey City	8 46		4 25
Hackensack	9 14		4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 [illegible]		5 02
Paterson	9 29		5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	2 50	6 30
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 05	6 40
Franklin	11 12	3 15	6 46
Hamburg	11 20	3 26	6 54
Deckertown	11 23	3 40	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	3 52	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 04	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 15	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 27	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 37	7 34
Middletown	12 12	4 50	7 45

SOUTH.	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	5 04
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	5 15
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 21
Westtown	6 58	7 48	5 27
Unionville	6 56	7 55	5 34
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 43
Deckertown	7 14	8 20	5 51
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	6 06
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Franklin	7 30	8 56	6 07
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 04	6 12
Two Bridges	7 51	9 27	6 28
Paterson City	9 02		7 45
Paterson (Broadway)	9 05	10 30	7 48
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	8 01
Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 27
New York Ferries—			
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St.	9 53	11 23	8 36
West 23d street	10 15	11 45	9 20

†—Stop on signal.

HAPPINESS VS. MISERY.

Dr. Charcot's Tonic Tablets, the great Parisian remedy, is a guaranteed cure for the Drink habit; also nervousness and melancholy caused by over-indulgence.

It Strengthens the appetite or Absolutely cuts off all Intoxicating Beverages, and leaves man as he should be. It can be administered without the knowledge of the patient where necessary

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TIME TABLE ADOPTED JUNE 26, '98.

Eastern Time.	17	21	1	9	11	33	5	37	15	25	29	7	3	27	19	31	39	13
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IN MEMORIAM.

Resolutions of the W. C. T. U. on the Death of the Late Mrs. Mary Ann Millspaugh.

The following were recently passed by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, to which the late Mrs. Millspaugh belonged:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to take from us our esteemed sister, Mrs. Millspaugh, a devoted and faithful follower in the Master's cause, and for a number of years a member of our union, therefore be it

Resolved, That while we bow with humble submission to the divine will, we express our heartfelt sorrow at her death, realising that when her life closed, we lost not only a friend and helper, but one who was also an earnest advocate of temperance and morality.

Resolved, That we will chrish her virtues and christian character and seek to follow her in the paths of righteousness and usefulness.

Resolved, That we will think of her as with Jesus, in His holy habitation, and doing His will in Heaven far more perfectly than was possible for her on earth.

Resolved, That we hereby tender to the bereaved family and friends our sympathy in their great sorrow, and pray that He who said, "I will not leave you comfortless," may comfort their sad hearts by His spirit, and help them to realiz that their loss is great gain to the one whom they so dearly loved.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be duly signed and forwarded to the family and the city papers.

M. F. JACKSON,
——BURT,
H. E. CLARK. } Com.

BROOME COUNTY'S TAX APPEAL

A Fight Between Binghamton and the Country Towns.

Broome county has an equalization appeal case on hand. The Supervisors from Binghamton city made out an equalization table, which took a big slice off the valuations of that city and the towns of Binghamtom and Union. The Supervisors of those towns and the city supervisors put this table through the board instead of the one prepared by the ratio committee. The country town supervisors threatened an appeal to the State Tax Commissioners and then proposed a compromise, but the city supervisors wouldn't have it and an appeal has been taken and a costly fight is on.

Why High School Pupils Wanted Check Books.

Of late there has been such large request for check books at the counters of the banks of the city as to be a serious drain upon their supplies of this article of bank stationery. It now appears that this unusual demand for these books emanated from the bookkeeping class at the High School, the members of which, in order to learn how to draw and use checks, have obtained a more than abundant supply from the banks.

Chance to Get a Home for a Dollar.

Some one will have a chance to get a home in this city at small cost. Tickets are being sold at a dollar each, on a large house on Olive street, near Knapp avenue, which is valued at $5,000. The drawing will take place on the night our soldiers boys return. Of the money realized from the sale of tickets, $500 will go to sick soldiers, and $500 to the Volunteers' Relief Fund.

Prisoners in Goshen Jail.

Twelve prisoners in Goshen jail, under indictment, will be arraigned for trial in the County Court, which Judge Beattie is holding, this week, in Goshen. There are twenty other prisoners in the Goshen jail who are serving out sentences or awaiting the action of the Grand Jury.

How It Hurts!

Rheumatism, with its sharp twinges, aches and pains. Do you know the cause? Acid in the blood has accumulated in your joints. The cure is found in Hood's Sarsaparilla which neutralizes this acid. Thousands write that they have been completely cured of rheumatism by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, sick headache, biliousness, indigestion. Price 25 cents.

SPINAL weakness easily cured by Dr. Miles' Nerve Plasters.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 9 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

New York, Dec. 12, '98.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	135¼	132⅝
Tobacco	142¼	143¾
Chicago Gas	109⅝	110¼
Nat. Lead	37	37⅛
General Electric	89¼	94
U. S. L., pref.	69⅜	69¼
Tenn. Coal and Iron	32	33⅜
A. T. & S. F.	16½	17⅝
C. B. & Q.	121¼	122
C. M. & St. P.	116	116⅞
R. I.	110⅝	111
D. L. & W.	—	—
C. of N. J.	94	95½
Erie	—	13¾
D. and H.	106	107⅞
O. & W.	16⅛	17⅛
Susquehanna & Western	—	—
Susquehanna & West., pref.	—	—
P. & R.	18⅞	18¾
N. W.	138	139
L. S.	—	—
N. Y. C.	119	120¼
M. P.	42⅝	44
Texas	15⅞	16⅛
U. P.	38½	39⅜
W. Union	95⅜	95⅝
L. & N.	6.¼	64⅞
Manhattan	100	100⅝
P. M.	45⅞	43⅝
Wabash, pref.	22⅝	22⅞
No. Pacific, pref.	76	77½
Metropolitan Traction	193¼	193¾
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	72⅛	73⅛
Southern, pref.	42	42½
CHICAGO MARKET.		
May Wheat	65¼	65⅛
May Corn	33⅞	34⅛
May Oats	25⅛	26
May Pork	$9 55	$9 70
May Lard	5 32	5 45

Holiday Reduction Sale!

Christmas being so near at hand we begin, to-day, a special reduction sale all through our store to make it easy for every one, no matter how small the purse, to secure holiday presents, whether useful or ornamental, and the prices we have marked on the goods will be a surprise, even to those who have always known how reasonable our goods are sold!

Pickings from Our Unparalleled Offerings.

Children's Suits, in vestee and reefer style, formerly sold at $1.50 and $1.69, special holiday price

98 CENTS EACH.

Children's Reefers, with sailor collars, and wide braid around collars and sleeves, formerly $2.00, special holiday price

$1.25.

Boys' Reefers, 12 to 16 Years, former Price $2 50, Now $1.59

Do., Former Price $3.75, Now $2.50.

Do., Former Price $5.50, Now $3.98.

Boys' Ulsters and Overcoats, former prices $3.50 to $9, special holiday price

$2.69 TO $6.00.

Men's Suits!

Men's Overcoats!

Men's Ulsters!

These goods all fine quality, all this season's goods, sold up till now from $5 to $15, special holiday price

$2.98 to $9.00.

Men's Heavy Undershirts 17c Each

Men's Heavy Overshirts 22c Each

Men's fine heavy ribbed fleeced Shirts and Drawers, former price 50c each, special holiday price

35 CENTS EACH.

Men's Cotton Socks, former price 5c., special holiday price

2 Cents a Pair.

Men's heavy Cotton Socks, former price 10 cents, special holiday price

4 CENTS A PAIR.

Men's all wool Socks, formerly 15c, special holiday price

7 Cents a Pair.

REMEMBER THAT THIS IS A SPECIAL HOLIDAY SALE

and Ends with the Day of Christmas.

Come this week, when you you can make your selections comfortably, as next week you know it will be hurry, push and worry.

This is our Trade Mark.

Budwig & Co.
9 NORTH ST.
MIDDLETOWN, N.Y.

Look for it when you buy Clothing

ONE CENT A WORD

for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

COAL! FORTY carloads sold in thirty days. Low prices still continue at VANFLEET'S.

COWS—I will have a car load of heavy State cows, Thursday, Dec. 15th. See this lot 11td&w S. GIVEANS.

WANTED—Those of bad health that R-I-P-A-N-S will not benefit. Send 5 cents to Ripans Chemical Co., New York, for 10 samples and 1,000 testimonials. 26d1yJly14'99

WILL Exchange city residences for small farm near Middletown. Address EXCHANGE, Box 211, Middletown.

TUBULAR Lantern Globes 5c., Flint Glass Chimneys 5c., Clark's Thread two spools 5c at DAYTON'S.

GOOD Carpet Sweepers $1.87. Thirty days trial on them if you like. DAYTON'S.

ROOMS to Let. Enquire of W. A. VAIL, 66 Mill street. 79dtf

TO LET—Nice Cottage on Harrison street seven rooms, all modern improvements. 81dtf Enquire of F. D. YOUNGBLOOD.

FOR SALE—Handsome new cottage on Albert street, nine rooms, hot air, all modern improvements. 80dtf BULL & YOUNGBLOOD.

ROOMS TO LET—Six rooms, modern improvements. Enquire 31 Myrtle avenue.

FINE Assortment of oil dressed Chamois Skin, for lung shields, vests, etc. Can be washed and will dry soft, 10c to $1 at JOHN J. CHAMBERS', Druggist, 57 North St., near postoffice.

WANTED—Girl to do laundry and dining room work. 24dtf Apply at the MOFFET.

HORSE Wanted for winter's board. Little daily exercise. Apply to THEO. REINECKE, at the Orange county brewery. 242t

EMULSION Cod Liver Oil, the great flesh and strength giver. Large size 75c at CHAMBERS' Pharmacy, 57 North St., near postoffice.

CROSBY'S Display of Holiday Goods is fine. The equal of his Applique work, handkerchiefs, cups and saucers, dolls, both dressed and undressed, can't be found in the city.

CROSBY Has something new in long pin cushion covers, pretty too; also sofa pillow covers in great variety. He has rice board, crewels and silkaleen to work them.

HOME MADE SAUSAGE 8 LBS 25 CTS, PORK CHOPS 8 LBS 25 CTS. Greening's. 24d7t

Car Load of Fine Cooking POTATOES.

C. N. PREDMORE & SON.

Ready Pay Store

PRICES.

Seeded Raisins 3 packages 25 cents.

Cleaned Currants 3 packages 25 cents.

Raisins, three crown, 4 pounds 25 cents

New Mixed Nuts, per pound 10 cents

Granulated Sugar, H. & E., 7 pounds 38 cents.

Sack Best Patent Flour, 24½ pounds, 50 cents.

Best Butter, per pound 19c.

READY PAY STORE

No. 111 North St.

AN INSPECTION

of our store will emphatically prove that our stock of

Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry,

SILVER NOVELTIES,

Clocks, Cut Glass, etc.,

is complete. The

QUALITY, DESIGN AND ASSORTMENT

are especially excellent, and the PRICES are consistent.

Close and Particular Attention and the Best of Material

are our first considerations with all

Watch, Clock and Jewelry Repairing.

B. F. GORDON.

FRESH PORK, SHOULDER, 6 CTS.; THIMMED, LEAN, 7 CTS.; HAMS 8 CTS. Greening's. 24d7t

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KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner Jessie, Middletown, N. Y. 59 Great Jones St., New York city. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 16.

Gas Engines.

It is now a well-known fact that gas is a superior motive power.

Requiring No Fuel, No Coal, No Wood

and making no ashes, hence no cleaning, and dispensing with engineers and firemen, making a saving sufficient to operate any other plant where power is needed.

I AM THE SOLE AGENT for the well-known and always reliable

HARTIG Gas or Gasoline ENGINES.

One can be seen in successful operation at my store and work room. Any one in need of power will do well by first looking into the merits of the HARTIG. Every engine guaranteed.

CHAS. H. BRINK,
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25 Cts. a Pound FOR Black or Green Tea.

SLOAT'S CASH STORE.

HOMES Wanted for Boys—Families willing to offer a good home to a friendless boy of any age, from infancy to ten years, and who will receive the child as a member of the family, and give it such care and training as will fit it for a life of self-support and usefulness, are invited to correspond with STATE CHARITIES AID ASSOCIATION, 21d&swlmJan7 105 East 22d St., New York City.

FOR RENT—Hotel at Burlingham, first-class condition, good stand. Apply to 24d6t J. W. SCHULTZ, at property.

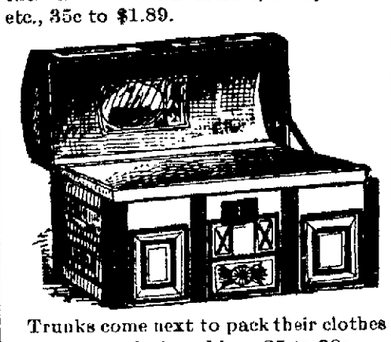
THE FAIR.

SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS.—The time was when Santa Claus manufactured his own gifts. But since we have gone in the toy business he finds they can be bought cheaper than he can make them. The first thing when he rides in town is to enquire if it has a SYNDICATE FAIR STORE, and he comes early, is much too wise to wait until the final rush, when the best has been selected, and just what he wants is sold. Below are a few of his special orders. We are satisfied he knows what to order that pleases old as well as young.

We think he has a large place in his heart for little girls as he nearly always begins on

DOLLS.

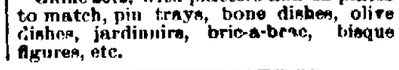
He buys the J. D. K. kid doll, the very best on the market, from 10c to $3.50, and the prettiest dressed doll, 13 inches, in different colors, with hat to match, for 25c. Talk about jointed dress dolls! You should see his smile when examining their silk and satin dresses, fancy hats, etc., 35c to $1.89.



Trunks come next to pack their clothes in with tray, lock and key, 25 to 98c.

Doll Carriages

And go-carts. Upholstered, parasol, etc., 25c to $2.50. Then we know very well he leaves the little girls for a time to find something jolly for the boys. How he does rattle it off. Sleighs that just suit them from 25c up. Stationary engines, magic lanterns, swords, steel toys, they can bang about, from 10c up. Rocking horses, tool chests, pocket knives, tops, violins, horns, drums, etc., from 10c up. We wish you might see him when he reaches the games. Think he will need more reindeers to draw those large regular 50c games for 22c; blocks for 10c that sell elsewhere for 25c. One thing we will just whisper so the mamas won't hear. He never forgets the



Then back to the girls again, for they as well as the boys, love those lovely books for 5 and 10c and what all mamas are paying 35c for he gets at 22c, and those bright lithographed linen books at 5c, everyone else sells for 10c.

He knows no girl's house is complete without a piano to accompany her brother's horn.

Now back he comes for another load. This time it is white cradles, gold knobs, etc., 25c up, with white dressers to match. Toilet stand, all complete. Extension tables, from 25 to 98c. Oak side boards, high chairs, dishes, china and britannia; 4 bottled castors 10c; Bissel's toy sweeper that does the work as well as the larger ones at 15c. Oh, yes; we nearly forgot the kitchen. Here is the iron stove and furniture, 25c up, iron and stand 5c, brooms 5 and 10c, dust pans 5c, wash sets, etc. Then there is the baby's stocking to be filled with bright rattles, rubber toys, knit dolls, chimes, cows, sheep, donkeys, horses, dogs, etc., with double rocking horse, tray attached to keep the toys in, from 50c to $1.75, or a small willow or white rocker, plush seat, etc., 25 to 98c. Black boards and desks 25c up, small office chairs 98c.

Our reputation for fine china at cheap prices is so well established it seems a waste of time to mention it. But we have so many new pretty pieces that we want you to know about, in comb and brush trays 25c, bread plates 25c to $1.50, dainty cups and saucers 10 to 98c, salads 25c to $1.50, celery trays, celery salts to match, bread and butter plates, chocolate pots, crackers jars, condensed milk jars, fern jars, pudding sets, frames, placques, shaving mugs, ink stands, syrup jars, candle sticks, oat meal sets.

Game sets, with platters and 12 plates to match, pin trays, bone dishes, olive dishes, jardinniras, bric-a-brac, bisque figures, etc.

If you want Rodgers' A No. 1 table ware for half the price you have been paying, we are ready for you with a full line A. D. spoons, tea, table and desert spoons, sugar shells, butter knives, berry spoons, cold meat forks, child's set, knife, fork and spoon, etc.

Sterling Silver Novelties

You could hardly believe without seeing the STAMP could be sold so cheap. We can fill your toilet table, desk, work basket, etc., with useful as well as ornamental novelties.

Or if you have more money than you wish to spend, we have the purses to keep it in.

We have much the largest line of handkerchiefs in the city. Warranted all linen from 5c each to 75c to $1.50 per box.

Also full line perfumes and atomizers.

You Know

Your wife has hinted time and again for a dinner set. Now is the time to please her. We have a line to choose from that you cannot fail to please her. Will guarantee every piece to not craze. Just go round, get prices, come to us last. Look at the potter's stamp and see if we do not do as we advertise. Sell the best for the least money.

Some of you need a lamp or toilet set more than a dinner set. Well we are all right on those also.

Owing to our immense order for lamps for our six stores, we have been a little late in getting the line complete. But we are now ready to show a line that has never been equalled in Middletown. Our lamps are PERFECT, latest styles, tasty decoration, simple construction, best of workmanship and finish, central draft insuring a perfectly clear and steady white light, no flickering and no smoking.

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